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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 0207

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SUBJ: CHINESE AMBASSADOR'S REACTION TO SUMMARY OF RESULTS
PRESIDENT' CARTER'S VISIT TO IRAN

1. DURING COURSE OF DINNER AT PAKISTAN EMBASSY JANUARY 1, I
GAVE CHINESE AMBASSADOR GENERALIZED SUMMARY OF RESULTS PRESI-
DENT CARTER'S VISIT TO IRAN. HE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION THAT
VISIT HAD GONE WELL AND THAT U.S.-IRANIAN BILATERAL TIES
WERE STRENGTHENED.

2. HIS PRIMARY REACTION WAS IN CONTEXT OF U.S.-IRANIAN
EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN RE HORN OF AFRICA. HE SAID HIS GOVERN-
MENT FELT SOVIETS WERE ENGAGED IN MAJOR ADVENTURE IN ETHIOPIA
AND THAT THEIR AMBITIONS WITH RESPECT TO AFRICA WERE NOT RPT
LIMITED TO REGION OF THE HORN. HE EXPRESSED HOPE
U.S. WOULD FIND WAY TO STOP SOVIET ACTIVITIES THERE.
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3. CONVERSATION TURNED TO RECENT EVENTS IN INDICHINA.
WHILE I REFRAINED FROM SAYING "WE TOLD YOU SO," I DID
DILATE ON LAO DONG PARTY AMBITIONS TO CONTROL ALL
OF THE OLD FRENCH INDOCHINA REGION.

4. CHINESE AMBASSADOR SAID HE WES SURE SOVIETS HOPED

TO ESTABLISH SATELLITE AREA ON CHINA'S SOUTHERN FLANK
AND THAT "IT WOULD BE LOGICAL" FOR CHINA TO OPPOSE SUCH
AN EFFORT.
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